

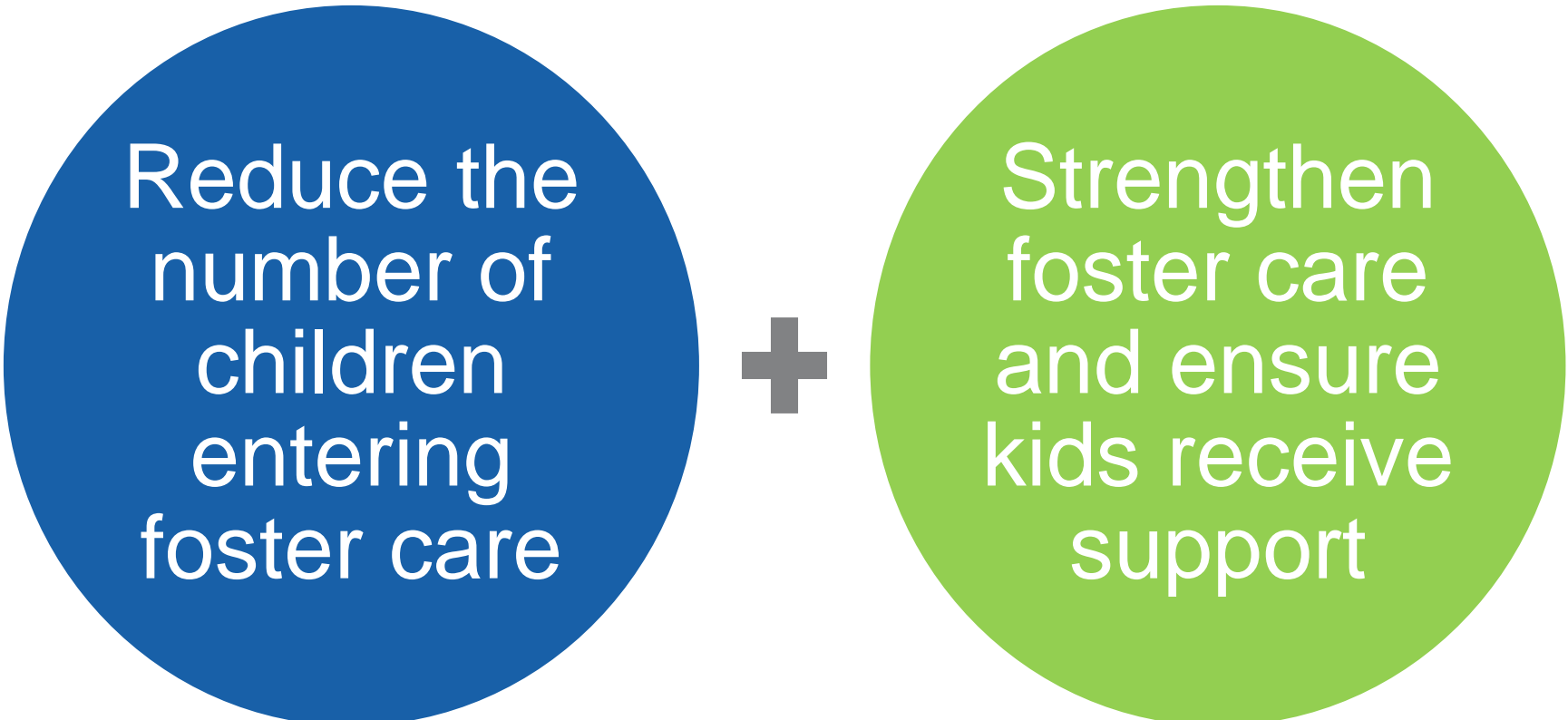


Home Visiting Programs as Prevention Efforts

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Improving Idaho's Child Welfare Outcomes



Reduce the
number of
children
entering
foster care



Strengthen
foster care
and ensure
kids receive
support

HOME VISITING: A PROVEN PREVENTION EFFORT



What are Home Visiting Programs?

Voluntary

**Support &
Coaching**

**Community-
Based**

**Evidence-
Based**

Home Visiting is a Prevention Program

- ✓ Development and health screenings
- ✓ Information on child development
- ✓ Social support connections
- ✓ Community service referrals

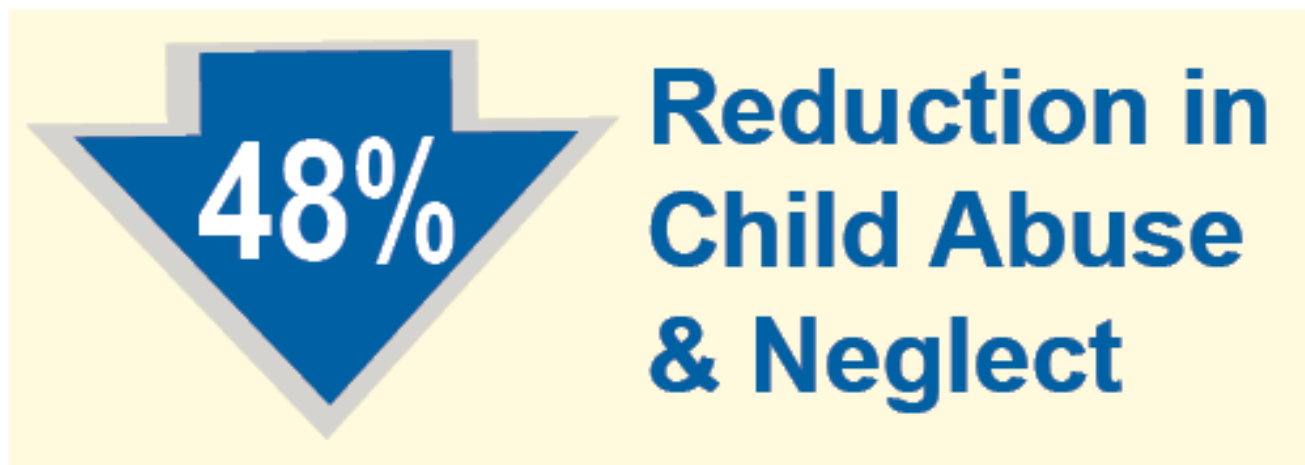
FAITH'S STORY



Faith and Xander Drane, Kellogg, Idaho



Home Visiting is a Prevention Program



- Cited as the **most effective intervention** to prevent child abuse and neglect
- Controlled trials have shown:
 - Reductions in child abuse and neglect
 - Reduction in health-care encounters for injuries
 - Reduction in reliance on public systems

Home Visiting is a Prevention Program



Improved Parenting
Practices



Early Detection of
Developmental Delays



Reduced Child
Abuse & Neglect



Improved Coordination with
Community Services



Improved School
Readiness



Reduced Crime &
Domestic Violence



Improved Maternal
& Child Health



Improved Family Economic
Self-sufficiency

THANK YOU!

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Home Visiting Programs in Idaho

- The Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Federal Grant
 - Programs offered through Public Health Districts
 - Limited to high-need families
 - Available in 12 of Idaho's 44 counties
- State Investment
 - Programs offered through Public Health Districts
 - Added capacity to serve families outside of MIECHV counties,
 - Emphasis on preventing child abuse and neglect
- Early Head Start Grants
 - Programs offered through nonprofit, community-based organizations

